

"Leading the Forefront of Today's Cadet Program"

Dear NCAC Representatives,

I would first like to start by thanking C/Col Wepman for nominating me for the position of chairperson, and thus, initiating my candidacy. I graciously accepted the nomination, and I am honored to have this astounding opportunity. While candidacy for NCAC Chair is an individual opportunity for me, it is also my chance to put my experience and skills to the ultimate application for efficient representation and leadership – my goal is to create new and continued opportunities for all!

It is my wish to assure this Council that the idea of leading the NCAC in the coming year is not something I take lightly. As good old Uncle Ben said in the motion picture *Spiderman*, "With great power comes great responsibility!" We all are in an amazing position to perform to the highest level of excellence and truly make an impact on the thousands of members of our organization. Not only do we have the ability to change the current state of our Cadet Program, however, we have the opportunity to make a defining and direct impact on our Program's future. Therefore, the question that we must ask ourselves is, "What legacy shall we leave behind?"

I have themed my platform: "Leading the Forefront of Today's Cadet Program." Our motto has become "Representing Cadets Across the Nation;" while that motto describes exactly what we are intended to do, it does not outline what I feel we should strive to accomplish: to be the foremost leaders of our cadet organization. The current motto is too passive, while I feel that we must take a more active stance. My vision is for the NCAC to be the motivating and guiding force at the very center of today's operational cadet network.

Please find that my official memorandum outlining my election platform for the office of Chairperson is attached to this message as a *Word* document. If you have any issues viewing the document, please do not hesitate to let me know!

I shall end this message by quoting a good friend of mine, Keith Hawkins, who travels the country as a motivational speaker. One of Keith's quotes that rings truest with me is that "The biggest room in the world, is the room for improvement!" This concept is something that I adopted many years ago. We all must realize that there is constant room for growth, and that only by understanding this challenge to continually work to improve, to accept that we shall never fully reach perfection, and that there is always one more thing that we can do, shall we always have the ability able to adapt and maintain success in continually changing times.

I thank you in advance for your time and consideration, and I am looking forward to speaking with all of you on our teleconference to further discuss our aspirations for the future of this Council and of the Cadet Corps, and to answer any questions that you may have.

V/R,

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